ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS NORTH SCALES STREET IMPROVEMENTS FROM WENTWORTH STREET to FREEWAY DRIVE WBS ELEMENT 42185 and E-4941 CITY OF REIDSVILLE, NC

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Reidsville, NC, in the Council Conference Room located on the first floor at 230 W. Morehead Street, Reidsville, NC 27320, until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 30, 2010 for the North Scales Street Improvements (Wentworth Street to Freeway Drive) Project as shown in the plans and described in the Special Conditions.

Each proposal must be made on the blank forms provided in the bound copies of "CONTRACT AND SPECIFICATIONS", and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to Mr. Kevin Eason, Public Works Department, 230 W. Morehead Street, Reidsville, NC 27320. The name, address and license number of the bidder must be plainly written on the outside of the envelope, and the envelope marked plainly with the contract name and number.

No proposal shall be considered or accepted by the City Council unless at the time of its filing the same shall be accompanied by a deposit with the City of Reidsville of a certified check on some bank or trust company insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in an amount equal to not less than five per cent (5%) of the proposal. In lieu of making the deposit as above provided, such bidder may file a bid bond executed by a corporate surety licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute such bonds; conditioned that the surety will upon demand forthwith make payment to the City of Reidsville upon said bond if the bidder fails to execute the contract in accordance with the bid bond. This deposit shall be retained if the successful bidder fails to execute the contract within ten days after award or fails to give satisfactory surety as required herein.

A separate performance bond and payment bond each in an amount equal to one hundred per cent (100%) of the contract price will be required. Consideration will be given only to proposals submitted by contractors licensed in the state of North Carolina under the Contractor's Licensing Act of 1925 or as amended.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. All contractors submitting bids (Prime and Sub) for this contract are required to be on the NCDOT's list of Pregualified Prime Contractors found on the following website:

Beginning July 1, 2009, any firm that wishes to perform work as either the prime contractor or as a subcontractor on the project must be prequalified for the type of work they wish to perform. Firms that wish to bid on these projects as the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to submitting your bid. Firms that wish to perform as a subcontractor to the prime contractor must be prequalified prior to beginning work on the project.

For the purposes of prequalification, any firm that is currently prequalified as a prime or a subcontractor on central let projects for the appropriate work codes is considered eligible to work and/or bid on Purchase Order Contracts as long as other items such as bonding and license requirements for the contract are met.

Information regarding the requirements to become prequalified as a Purchase Order Contract contractor, including the application to become prequalified if you are not already prequalified, can be found at the following website:

http://www.ncdot.org/business/howtogetstarted/

The application is currently in paper form and will soon be added to the on-line prequalification system. In the meantime, please fill out the paper application for review.

If you are unsure as to whether your firm is currently prequalified by the Department by the Contractual Services Unit, a search of the Directory of Transportation Firms can be performed at the website below:

https://apps.dot.state.nc.us/vendor/directory/

Plans and specifications may be purchased from EARTH TECH | AECOM for a **non-refundable** fee of \$100.00 payable by check to "EARTH TECH | AECOM". Contact Mr. Bill Jenkins, 701 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 475, Raleigh, NC 27607-5074; or email bill.jenkins@aecom.com any time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Mailing costs will be \$25.00 per set (includes one set of plans and specifications).

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 16, 2010 in the Council Conference Room located on the first floor at 230 W. Morehead Street, Reidsville, NC 27320. All requirements for this project are subject to the the NCDOT Standard Specifications for Roads and Structures, July 2006. City of Reidsville personnel will discuss DBE requirements. Also, the Engineer will be available to discuss the project and answer pertinent questions. All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend this pre-bid meeting.

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